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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: the Application of: William Flanagan et al

Filed: 10/30/00

Serial No.: 09/702,062

Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

For: System and Method for an Automated System of

Record

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SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53, TOGETHER WITH A PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, AND A PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Patents, Special Handling Unit

FILING OF MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are:

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—a petition for extension of time;

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an executed declaration and power of attorney;

executed Assignment, with a request that it be recorded;

copy of the Notice To File Missing Parts, Filing Date Granted, mailed 12/28/2000;

a Verified Small Entity Statement; and

— a fee calculation and check transmittal letter and a check in the amount of the fees required for the above.

Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

Kindly cancel Claim 1 and replace it with:

1. An apparatus for providing an automated system of record for at least one negotiation, comprising:

a multivariate negotiations system including storage space and negotiations software, such negotiations software including an automated negotiations engine for analyzing terms, the analysis of terms comprising understanding the purpose of the terms, formatting the terms according to the purpose, and placing them into user supplied context for use by a user, the automated negotiations engine being responsive to a destination terminal for a first user communicating with the multivariate negotiations system, the destination terminal including software for sending and receiving terms along a communications path which flows through the multivariate negotiations system, the automated negotiations engine also being responsive to an initiating terminal for a second user communicating with the multivariate negotiations